1-1 By: Hughes S.B. No. 1582 (In the Senate - Filed March 11, 2021; March 24, 2021, read time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources & 1-2 1-3 first Economic Development; April 19, 2021, reported favorably by the 1-4 following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; April 19, 2021, sent to printer.) 1-5

COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7 Absent Yea Nay PNV 1-8 Birdwell Х Х 1-9 Zaffirini 1-10 1-11 Alvarado Х Х Hancock 1-12 Х Hinojosa 1-13 Х Hughes Х 1-14 Kolkhorst 1**-**15 1**-**16 Lucio Х Х Seliger

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to examinations for applicants for or holders of licenses 1-20 or registrations to perform certain activities pertaining to compressed natural gas or liquefied natural gas. 1-21

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 1-23 SECTION 1. Sections 113.087(a), and (k), Natural (j)**,** Resources Code, are amended to read as follows: 1-24

1-25 (a) The satisfactory completion of the requirements of this 1-26 section is mandatory, and operations requiring an LP-gas license may not commence, continue, or resume unless examination and seminar requirements are fulfilled. The commission shall prepare, 1-27 1-28 administer, and grade or review an examination required by this 1-29 section or contract with a testing <u>or proctoring</u> service to prepare, administer, and grade or review the examination. (j) If the examination is graded or reviewed by a testing <u>or</u> 1-30 1-31

1-32 1-33 proctoring service:

1-34 (1) the commission shall notify the person of the results of the examination not later than the 14th day after the 1-35 1-36 date the commission receives the results from the testing or 1-37

proctoring service; and (2) if notice of the examination results will be delayed for longer than 90 days after the examination date, the 1-38 1-39 commission shall notify the person of the reason for the delay 1-40 1-41 before the 90th day.

(k) The commission may require a testing or proctoring service to notify a person of the results of the person's 1-42 1-43 1 - 44examination.

1-45 SECTION 2. Section 113.088(b), Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows: 1-46

1-47 Before seminar attendance or examination of any person, (b) 1-48 except as provided by [this subsection or] Subsection (c), the 1-49 commission shall receive a nonrefundable fee for each examination or seminar registration. [If the examination is administered by a 1-50 testing service, the testing service may administer the examination 1-51 before the commission receives the fee. A testing service that 1-52 1-53 administers an examination shall collect a nonrefundable fee for 1-54 the examination before the examination is administered and shall 1-55 forward the fee to the commission not later than the fifth business 1-56 day after the date the testing service receives the fee.]

SECTION 3. Sections 116.034(e) and (f), Natural Resources 1-57 1-58 Code, are amended to read as follows: 1-59 (e) If the examination is graded or reviewed by a testing or

1-60 proctoring service: (1) the commission shall notify the person of the 1-61

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proctoring service; and (2) if notice of the examination results will be delayed for longer than 90 days after the examination date, the commission shall notify the person of the reason for the delay 2-4 2**-**5 2**-**6 2-7 before the 90th day.

(f) The commission may require a testing or proctoring service to notify a person of the results of the person's 2-8 2-9 2-10 2-11 examination.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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